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REMEMBERED GEORGE IV.

John West Passes Away After an Eventful Life.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. Huggins, Sunday afternoon John West, father of Mrs. Huggins and of Mrs. John W. Gibson, passed away in his 98th year. He was born in Wiltshire, England, in 1808, and has resided in this county 23 years.

He has lived an eventful life both in England and America.

Mr. West came to America in October, 1830; in 1831 he was married to Miss Hannah V. Carter near Germantown, Pa. Of this union four children were born: Mrs. Mary A. Huggins, Mrs. Frances S. Gibson, of Abilene, Samuel V. of Des Moines, Iowa, and Mrs. Hannah M. Maple, who died at Des Moines, Iowa, in 1859. Father West was a devout Christian, joining the Methodist Episcopal church in 1851, and proved in his own personal experience that the "path of the just is as a shining light that shineth more and more unto the perfect day." He prayed very earnestly only a few days before he died that "he might be permitted to go home and rest." His two daughters and son-in-law did all that human hands and hearts could do for his comfort and well being, but the mansions of light were real to him and he longed to be going to join the companion of his young manhood, who waited to welcome him to the home "eternal in the heavens."

Mr. West was on police duty in front of St. James' palace when the death of King George IV was announced from the balcony. He was also on duty when William IV was pronounced king from the same balcony. This was near sunrise in May, 1830. He also marched in the grand procession as far as Temple Bar to the entrance of the city of London where the lord mayor proclaimed William IV king. He also saw the Princess Victoria when 11 years old, in High Park London, in the royal carriage. She was there to witness a sham battle and Mr. West was on guard at the time. In 1830 he resigned from the police force, and on October 30, 1880 sailed for America, where he has lived ever since, but not as a British subject, as he took out naturalization papers as soon as he could after arriving and has been a time subject of his adopted country.

He worked on the first railroad built in America—the Germantown & Philadelphia—and walked twelve miles to attend the funeral of Horatio Winterbottom at Oxford—the first man killed on that railroad, perhaps the first man killed on a railroad in the United States.

His uncle, Thomas West, was a major in the celebrated English regiment known as the Cold Stream Guards. He and wife were in the battle of Waterloo. She always accompanied him and searched the battle field for three days and nights before she knew whether he was dead or alive. He was not injured.

Funeral services will be held from the residence of D. Huggins, Wednesday morning, at 9 o'clock, conducted by his pastor, Rev. Edwin R. Brown, assisted by Rev. Cain of the Baptist church. The body will be taken to Des Moines, Iowa, for burial.

Notice to Telephone Subscribers.

If you want to find out about trains call central and you will be correctly informed. The agents at the depot are always very busy just before train time and therefore cannot always answer promptly. A close observance of the above will save yourself delay in waiting for depots to answer.

In calling for number name the figures in succession, thus: If you want 147, call "one-four-seven" instead of "one hundred and forty-seven." This will avoid errors and save time in getting connections. The management is anxious to give the best service possible and your cooperation will be greatly appreciated. Any incivility of the part of employees should be promptly reported to the manager.

NEW PHONES

101—Bittman-Todd Grocery Co.
263—Geo. Snider, blacksmith.
291—Pulverfeed and sale stable.
301—George Eberington Res.
303—W. H. McKinstry, Res.
369—L. H. Faulkner, Res.
355—Dr. Wann, Res.

TOOK HIS OWN LIFE.

Earl Hollingsworth, a Solomon Boy, Commits Suicide.

SOLOMON, Dec. 22.—Earl Hollingsworth, son of Monroe Hollingsworth, took morphine tablets Saturday night and died in half an hour despite the efforts of doctors. He had been at Salina for two or three days and came into Green's barber shop about seven o'clock feeling badly. He took several tablets quickly and died in half an hour. He was aged 23 years. Burial services were held this morning, Rev. Rankin officiating.

Fire in a Coal Shed.

About 10 o'clock last night the fire bell called out the department because of a fire at Mrs. Kauffman's on Cottage avenue. The boys responded promptly but the flames which were in a coal shed were extinguished before they arrived.

Christmas Marriages.

Judge Mack today married the following couples:
L. N. Sawyer, Monument, Kas., and Mary E. McNay, Oak Hill, Kas.
Rhinehart Hornsecker of Manchester, and Ida Bell Reese, Talmage.
Leon Delaney and Callie A. Boatman, of New Cambria.
Licenses were issued to Harvey E. Brown and Mary A. Phillips of Carlton.
Albert L. Ferris and Rebecca Shoffner, Upland.

Salina's U. C. T. Treat.

Messrs. J. A. Pribble and Ed M. Geis of Salina are here advertising the minstrel performance to be given by the traveling men of that town Saturday night, Dec. 27th. The show will be given that night especially for the Abilene people. Over 70 tickets have been sold here already and the boys promise us a great time. You can get tickets at Pacific hotel.

Abilene Got \$35 for \$200.

The convention hall guessing awards were announced today. The nearest Abilene got to the winner was No. 69 held by H. B. Wingate, a well known commercial traveler, who receives a prize of \$20. H. G. Betz has 210 and gets \$5. Lizzie Ebsman of Enterprise is one of 17 who tie for places \$70.387 and will get about \$3 each. H. W. Jacobs gets \$1.00; W. Matteson, \$2.00; J. E. Johnst, \$5.00; Geo. Gleissner, \$1.00. Hattie Moore, \$1.00. There may be some others farther down the list but life is too short to hunt through six columns of fine type.

The "Youngest Old Soldier."

A dispatch to the Topeka Capital from Salina says: "Concordia boasts of the 'youngest' old soldier in this part of the state. J. M. Harrison, who enlisted in company C, Fifty-first Indiana, October 24, 1864, at the age of 15 years, four months and 24 days. David Addison, of Salina, was also one of the young veterans, having enlisted in August, 1862, at the age of 15 years and 11 months." These "youngest" fellows are not in it for a minute.

Judge O. L. Moore of Abilene enlisted in Co. M, Third West Virginia Cavalry, on March 20, 1864, at the age of 14 years, four months and 10 days, and served 16 months under Phil Sheridan.

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Bronchitis

"I have kept Ayer's Cherry Pectoral in my house for a great many years. It is the best medicine in the world for coughs and colds."
J. C. Williams, Attica, N. Y.

All serious lung troubles begin with a tickling in the throat. You can stop this at first in a single night with Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Use it also for bronchitis, hard colds, consumption.

Three doses: 2c, 10c, 50c.

Consult your doctor. If he says take it, then do as he says. If he tells you not to take it, then don't take it. He knows.

You should promptly correct any consumption or biliousness with Ayer's Pills, small, laxative doses.
J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.

CHRISTMAS EXERCISES.

Church Programs for the Annual Celebration.

PRESBYTERIAN.
Following is the program of Christmas exercises to be given by the Presbyterian Sabbath school Wednesday evening at 7:15 p. m.:
Song, "Keep the Christmas Lights Aglow"

School Prayer..... R. M. White
Recitation, "The Stocking"..... Mervin Franks
Recitation, "Christmas Spies".....
Song, "King for Evermore"..... Scott Pulver
Recitation, "A Letter to Santa Claus"..... Naomi Hoover
Song, "Jesus is Leading the World"..... School
Recitation, "Two Little Stockings"..... Alice Merrifield
Song, "See My Pretty Little Stocking".....
Following the above program will be given a cantata, "Christmas For Santa Claus," by thirty-five scholars; distribution of candy; song, "Ring Ye Bells," by the school and benediction by Rev. Dr. Blaney.

BAPTIST.

The Baptist Sunday school will have its Christmas exercises Christmas eve at 7 o'clock. A tree will be laden with fruits suitable to the occasion. Miss Pearl O'Neil, late of Oklahoma City, is drilling the little folks in singing.

GRACE REFORMED.

At Grace Reformed church Christmas night, Christmas voices interspersed with dialogues, pantomimes and a tableau, "The Shepherd's Vision," will be rendered by the school. As you come into the church a free will offering will be taken, this being the usual custom on this occasion. The Reformed church with these Christmas offerings maintains several orphanages, so anything you contribute will go for a good and noble purpose. A cordial invitation is extended to all. The doors will open at 7 p. m.

EVANGELICAL.

Program at the Evangelical church, Christmas eve at 7:30:
Song, "Come Thou Almighty King"..... School
Responsive Reading.
Prayer.
Song, "Christmas is Coming"..... School
Recitation, "Christmas Carol"..... Ella Eversol
Exercise, "Ring Out, O Merry Bells".....
Song, "By the Way"..... By 6 Boys
Class of Boys
Wee Little Speeches by Wee Little Folks.
Song, "See My Pretty Little Stockings".....
Bird Judy
The Shepherds and the Infant Christ.....
By small and grown people
Song, "Good Tidings"..... Young Ladies' Class
Recitation, "The Birthday of Christ".....
Blanch Hertog
Recitation, "The Christmas Chimes".....
Naomi Yeager
Exercise, "Christ in St. John's Gospel".....
By 5 young ladies
Song, "O Glorious Night"..... School
Distribution of gifts.
Closing.

LUTHERAN.

The Lutheran Sunday school will render a cantata Christmas eve, commencing at 7:30 sharp. It will be called "Santa's Christmas Surprise." The little folks will all be remembered.

THEY HEARD FROM EDITH.

Woman Married in Abilene Is Now in Georgia.

HERINGTON, Kas., Dec. 22.—Within the past week a letter has been received here from W. F. Elliott, postmarked "Atlanta, Ga." It will be remembered that Elliott is the man who married Mrs. Edith Willits of Grantville several months ago at Abilene. Elliott turned his trunk over to a party at Herington, whom Mrs. Willits introduced as her cousin who she said intended to take Mr. Elliott's territory for the Milwaukee shoe house he has been representing as traveling salesman.

Edith Willits and husband No. 2, W. F. Elliott, spent Thanksgiving here and went to a turkey shoot.

They both seemed to be enjoying themselves. They have been traveling over the state as H. C. Graham and wife ever since the time they left Manhattan so suddenly several months ago in order to escape an interview with a reporter. There are three of them in the family now, as they have her little girl with them. They left Herington a day or two after Thanksgiving after cashing a draft for \$900, said to have been sent to Mrs. Elliott by husband No. 1 who lives on a farm near Grantville, Kas. They gave it out here that they were going to Florida to live on her 12,000 acre orange farm.

They seemed to have much legal business on hand, as they had two or three attorneys employed while here.

It was given out that they were preparing to bring suit against the newspapers for \$200,000 for alleged defamation of character.

RECENT REFLECTIONS.

—A lot of weddings are booked for the holidays.

—Born, to Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Foster, Sunday, a daughter.

—This section got only the tail end of the western Kansas blizzard.

—John Harmon of the Westcott rancho has purchased Dr. Kirsch's residence west of town and will move there.

—The Comus club meeting has been postponed until next Tuesday when it will be with Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Seeds.

—It pays to advertise in the REFLECTOR. Mrs. Hallam has found her pocketbook and a lost mitten has been restored to its owner.

—Miss Bertha Steves is the new night operator at the Brown telephone exchange. Miss Kate Berry has been promoted to day operator.

—Invitations are out for the wedding of Miss Alta Arvilla Matchett and Charles Spidel at the home of the bride's parents on North Buckeye Christmas eve.

—Invitations are out for the wedding of Wm. E. Judy and Miss Eva Ingalls at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Morris, North Buckeye, on the evening of Dec. 25.

—On Monday evening, December 29th, the past masters of Benevolent lodge, A. F. and A. M., will celebrate St. John's day. The master's degree will be conferred on H. S. Taylor.

—Wm. Hartman, living south of town, shot himself with a target rifle yesterday. It was a slight injury and though the bullet which lodged in his shoulder was not recovered he will not suffer from it.

—Will Pitts, who has been the able assistant at the Rock Island office in Enterprise, has been promoted by the company to the position of night operator at Whitewater, in the southern part of the state.

—W. H. H. Betz of Rinehart has received a handsome set of dishes at Markley & Brewer's as a prize for getting the lucky letters in breakfast food packages. The dishes are on display at the store.

—Invitations have been issued to a number of out of town people for the Tenth annual New Years ball at the Pacific New Years eve. There will be a short collision with two favor figures. The Ninth artillery orchestra of Ft. Riley will furnish music.

Anderson Quite the Klondike.

A Salina dispatch says that P. H. Anderson, the young Swede who made a big fortune in the Klondike, is on his way to Chicago, and that Mr. Anderson has disposed of all his interests at Cape Nome and will invest in the zinc mines of southwest Missouri.

SEVEN TO ONE

From reports received we figure that one bottle of Scott's Emulsion sometimes builds seven times its weight of solid, healthy flesh! Why is this so?

Because Scott's Emulsion is itself the richest and most digestible of foods.

Because Scott's Emulsion gives strong appetite.

Because Scott's Emulsion makes all good food do good—strong stomach—strong digestion.

Because Scott's Emulsion wakes up the dormant system—new life to the tissues—so that the body uses its food for bone making and flesh building.

We'll send you a little to try if you like.
SCOTT & BOWNE, 409 Third street, New York.

ABOUT PEOPLE.

Dr. T. C. Ayres of Industry was in the city.

Bruce Gleissner is home from K. U. for Christmas.

John C. Nuaz of Woodbine was an Abilene visitor.

Miss Shane went home to Lawrence for the holidays.

E. Schumann of Detroit was shopping in the city.

Miss Bea Wilson returned from K. U. for the holidays.

Miss Eva Hutchison is home from Topeka for the holidays.

Robb Brady is up from Lawrence visiting Abilene friends.

W. H. Wagner and family left for Chicago to spend the holidays.

Miss Anna Warfield is home from K. U. for the holiday vacation.

Miss Florence Bradshaw of Herington is here to spend Christmas.

Miss Maude Rogers is home from Bethany college for the holidays.

D. S. Strole and Wm. Rohloff of Navarre were REFLECTOR callers.

Miss Rebecca Meadows of Downs is visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Rice.

T. C. Davis of Dillon was in the city. He leaves for New York Friday.

Mrs. W. R. Waring of Oak Hill is visiting Mr. Waring's parents in the city.

Miss Elsie Southworth and Miss Faye Keller are home from Bethany college.

Walter MacDonald is here from the Pacific coast where he has been for two years.

Dr. Henry returned to Bonner Springs after a visit with Dickinson county friends.

H. A. Kohler is home from Denver visiting his parents, Hon. and Mrs. C. Kohler of Enterprise.

Mark Baldwin, formerly of Abilene but now of Colorado, is in Junction City on a visit with friends.

Miss Noble and Miss Vincent of the high school spend the holidays at their homes, Topeka and Emporia.

Mrs. Clyde Birch, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Strother, left for St. Louis which will be her home.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wallace and daughter of Colorado Springs are here visiting Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Howard over Christmas.

Prof. C. A. Rohrer, principal of the School for the Blind at Kansas City, is here to spend the holidays with home folks near Dillon.

Miss Miriam Graybill, who has been visiting her uncle, Noah Engle, and other relatives in Dickinson county for the past six months, left today for her home in Lancaster county, Pa. Her cousin, Will G. Engle, accompanied her home for a visit.

MINNER'S FATAL FALL.

Wheeling a Cart at Salt Works Stepped Off Runway.

The sudden death at Hutchinson of C. C. Minner, a former Abilene boy and son of L. D. Minner, reported in the REFLECTOR, was due to a fall. The Hutchinson News gives these details: "C. C. Minner, an employee at the Barton Salt works, met instant death by falling from the runway at the salt works shortly after 10 o'clock this morning. He was dumping a cart loaded with salt. He lost his balance and then pitched headlong to the ground below. It was a short fall, not more than fourteen feet, but the man fell on his head and death followed instantly. An examination revealed that death was due to concussion of the brain.

Mr. Minner lived at 503 Bigger east. He was 49 years old and leaves a family of a wife and four children. He was a member of the Workman lodge in which he was insured for \$2,000. He had many friends in the lodge and out of it, who will be shocked to learn of his tragic death. The arrangements for the funeral have not yet been made."

The International Correspondence school has an attractive display in the Borce store corner Third & Broadway which people will find very interesting. Don't fail to see it.

A. H. ADAMS,
Local Representative.

MRS. HARDING WINS.

Theatre Box Contest Closes With Interesting Vote.

Mrs. Addie Harding.....	420
Mary Edwards.....	400
Elva Lower.....	381
Jennie Parent.....	367
Emma Humble.....	356
Daisy Hunt.....	332
Edith Worley.....	321
Addie Over.....	300
Blank.....	17

This was a busy morning for the voters in the REFLECTOR's theatre box contest. Over 100 people called at the office and put in some votes for their favorites. The children took a great interest in the contest because of the teachers being eligible and the town was thoroughly canvassed for coupons.

The voting closed at noon sharp. A few votes that came in later were refused as the terms of the contest had been fully stated.

H. W. Jacobs, Supt. R. V. Dyer and M. R. Jolley kindly consented to act as a canvassing board and commenced on the count at 1 o'clock. The result was as given above.

Of the total number of votes cast about 1100 were voted this morning. Seventeen blank coupons were voted.

Mrs. Addie Harding, the winner, is one of Crooks & Co's most popular salesladies and has a host of friends who have manifested their friendship in a very attractive Christmas gift.

The REFLECTOR gave her the tickets for the theatre box this afternoon. "I am exceedingly grateful to the REFLECTOR and to my friends," said she, "and wish you would through the paper this evening thank those who remembered me."

The REFLECTOR had selected the lower right hand box for the winner and gave tickets entitling her to its use for herself and five of her friends at the appearance of Charles B. Hanford in "Much Ado About Nothing" tomorrow evening.

THAT TEACHERS UNION.

It Is a Library Plan and Has About 60 Members.

The "teachers union" with a membership fee of \$12.50 reported from south Dickinson turns out to be a library proposition. There are about 60 members among the teachers, each gave a note for \$12.50 which was sold to the local banks. The company which secured the subscriptions sends 150 books to Supt. Dyer and they are in his file for the use of the members. Next year these books are to be taken to another county and a different set of 150 books brought here; two annual changes are to follow. After the end of four years certain of the remaining books are distributed among such members as are here. Ten agents canvassed the county last fall staying here a week.

While the teachers have access to 600 different books for \$12.50, the scheme is a profitable one for the company. The 60 members of this county paid \$750. Their votes were discounted 10 to 20 per cent at the banks, leaving \$525 cash. Out of this comes the cost of 150 books, about \$125, and the agents' salaries for a week, perhaps \$150 more. The company has \$250 net profit. If more subscribers are secured the profit is proportionately increased. Several Abilene teachers joined.

For Sale.

Donkey, young, gentle and well broke. Ten dollars. See
A. H. ADAMS, Abilene.

Wanted, man and wife to keep house on farm. Man to do general farm work, woman to keep house and board men. Parties with more than two children need not apply. References required. C. W. TAYLOR, 97-2/2c Pearl, Kas.

Advertised Letters.

The following is the list of unclaimed letters remaining in the Abilene postoffice for the week ending Dec. 22, 1902. Have your mail addressed to your box number and it will be promptly delivered:

GENTLEMEN'S LIST.

Berry, Mr. Fletcher, Clinton W. G.
Foster, G. B. Lytle, A. M.
McKown, Peter Park, Horace S.

One cent will be charged for all advertised letters.

Persons calling for the above will please say "advertised" giving date.
RICHARD WARING, P. M.